



YOUTH SUMMIT NOVEMBER 2005 COMMENTS

DOT AVE SEGMENT	ANDREW STATION TO FREEPORT STREET	
YELLOW GROUP	<u>Strengths</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Daniel Marr Boys and Girls Club▪ Savin Hill MBTA Station▪ Many churches▪ Good schools-many of them▪ Nice people in the neighborhood▪ Libraries▪ Teen clinics	<u>Weaknesses</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ More places to go▪ City needs to utilize more space▪ More jobs▪ Safety (police availability-response time)▪ Crosswalks▪ Traffic lights▪ Street lights▪ Poor bus schedule▪ Pot holes (street problems)▪ Publicity of the neighborhood▪ Fast food restaurants
BLUE GROUP	<u>Good Points</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ New Station (Savin Hill)▪ New Park▪ Youth Center	<u>Bad Points (Need Improvement)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ More teen opportunities/jobs▪ Skating rink▪ Movie theater▪ Library with more books▪ Internet▪ Use of empty lots/spaces▪ Buses and routes▪ Crosswalks and lights▪ Safety with prostitution issue on Savin Hill

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RED GROUP	<div> <div> <p><u>Strengths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Police respond well and are most time available ▪ A lot of stations ▪ Rich history ▪ Youth council ▪ Corner stores/convenience stores ▪ Abundance of resources ▪ A lot of churches ▪ After school programs at school </div> <div> <p><u>Main weaknesses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Safety ▪ Schools: more resources and supplies ▪ Transportation ▪ Libraries (resources, space) ▪ Dirty areas ▪ Jobs ▪ Too much violence (random + gang violence) ▪ Publicity ▪ Places for teens to go </div> </div>

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<i>DOT AVE SEGMENT</i>	<i>FIELDS CORNER AREA</i>			
YELLOW GROUP	<u>Transportation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Longer hours for transportation More buses 	<u>Neighborhood Businesses / Jobs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teen jobs Better dining & food Bakery Supermarket Clothing Store (Foot Locker / Hip Zeppi) Parking Lots/Garage ABCD Summer Works After school jobs (20 hours) 	<u>Youth Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clubs for programs, clubs, and parties Parks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -More MBTA police -More police for area -Cleanup park -Improve park uses 	<u>Streetscapes / Quality of Life</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The mall street needs improvements/renovate Library No parking Fix streets (Potholes) Store fronts need renovation Dirty streets More stoplights & streetlights Youth clean-ups /Trash cans More security
BLUE GROUP	<u>Transportation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More bus route via Dot. Ave #18: not on time (route time too long) No schedule on bus stops Needs to be more visible Needs to be closed (too cold) Bus stops too far apart Bus kiosk and benches Fields Corner: misleading signs Needs more lights 	<u>Youth Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More places for youth to go Parks More recreation near transportation More basketball courts Shuttle to Boston Bowl 		

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	<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Things Wanted</u>	<u>Youth Activities</u>	<u>Streetscapes / Quality of Life</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stay on schedule/ apply schedule ▪ Longer hours ▪ Comfortable seats ▪ More buses to service Fields Corner station ▪ Parking lot ▪ More MBTA Police ▪ Nicer bus drivers ▪ More buses ▪ Fix bus stop signs ▪ Make them more visible ▪ Put schedule up ▪ Station not safe ▪ Maps on transportation ▪ Info center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teen jobs ▪ Transportation (bus routes) ▪ Police ▪ Upgrade park ▪ Clothing store (Mall) ▪ Shops (Footlockers, Manhattan, Expressions, Old Navy) ▪ Big businesses ▪ Small businesses ▪ Jobs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ McDonald's ○ Stop & Shop ○ Business jobs ○ Selling things ○ Baby sitting ▪ Homeless shelter ▪ Teen clinics ▪ Book stores ▪ Music stores ▪ More small stores ▪ Hair salons ▪ Pet shops ▪ Restaurants ▪ Police (reform: cops to survey more areas) ▪ Computer lab ▪ Library: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Improvements ○ More updated computers ○ Archives and information for research ○ Bigger sign 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bowling ▪ Basketball courts ▪ Skating rink ▪ Youth centers ▪ Tours (monuments) ▪ Events for teens ▪ Town meetings ▪ More schools ▪ After school programs ▪ College help ▪ Movie theater ▪ Studios (records) ▪ Clubs ▪ Dance studios ▪ Sports: running, soccer ▪ Clubhouses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dirty: street cleanliness ▪ Community service ▪ More things in community and for ecosystem (cleaner community) ▪ Lot of violence ▪ Tags (no art) ▪ Cops need to come more often ▪ More murals ▪ Advertising on what is going on around the neighborhood ▪ Safe public places ▪ Arcades ▪ Ecosystem (pollution)

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YELLOW GROUP	<p><u>Strengths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ADSL (Fields Corner) ▪ After school jobs (Fields Corner) ▪ Organization-cleaning the streets ▪ 3 train stations ▪ Highway reduces the traffic ▪ Good place to meet friends ▪ TXV Mentorship ▪ Lot of great teen's in the area 	<p><u>Weaknesses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More After school programs ▪ More Community Meetings ▪ Not enough theaters ▪ Not enough places to eat ▪ More play grounds ▪ Football fields ▪ Not enough store's ▪ Streets are dirty ▪ Fix roads ▪ Some neighborhoods don't have stores ▪ Needs Arcades ▪ Businesses geared toward teen's (Footlocker, Wendy's, and Champs) ▪ A place for teen's to hang out other than Downtown Crossing ▪ Under 21 Clubs ▪ Traffic ▪ Too much violence (drug and gang related violence) ▪ Lack of amusement park ▪ Not enough teen activities ▪ Place's to sit while waiting for bus ▪ Route 18 bus service slow on weekends ▪ Not enough parking ▪ Business unfriendly to teen's ▪ Broken bus signs ▪ More concerns of violence ▪ Space for art work ▪ Convert empty lots for useful place ▪ Lack of familiarities of an area other than your own 	<p><u>Things Wanted</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mall ▪ Wendy's ▪ Champs ▪ Movie Theaters ▪ Skating Rink ▪ Something similar to Chez Vous ▪ Amusement Park ▪ Basketball Courts, Football fields ▪ Under 21 Clubs ▪ Studios ▪ More apartments ▪ Shelter for homeless ▪ Teen clinics ▪ Arcade

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BLUE GROUP	<p><u>Strengths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adams Street stores ▪ Some stores are welcoming ▪ Milton area is nice and cleaner ▪ Lower Mills looks nicer ▪ Transportation ▪ Some organizations that offer after school programs ▪ Doing over certain parts to look better ▪ Youth involvement ▪ Some hiring (gas station) ▪ Codman Square Library: good & nice ▪ Enough stations 	<p><u>Transportation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More buses on the Avenue ▪ Make them come on time ▪ Red Line: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More courteous to people living around train area ○ Noisy (very early/late) 	<p><u>Weaknesses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not enough open space ▪ Library is not attractive ▪ Too much violence ▪ Not enough restaurants ▪ Not enough advertising about the avenue ▪ Not enough MBTA Police ▪ Dirty, not very pretty ▪ Lot of construction ▪ Bumpy streets 	<p><u>Things Wanted</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jobs for 14-18 years of age ▪ Crosswalks ▪ The traffic lights do not appeal to pedestrians ▪ Emulate the nicer areas of the Red Line (e.g. Adams Village is very appealing, with a feeling of safety.) ▪ Construction: too early ▪ Safety: more police, more lights, 18 bus, gangs, shootings in Park Street/Fields Corner ▪ Gym ▪ Music stores ▪ Park ▪ Movies ▪ Bookstores ▪ More stores ▪ Internet café ▪ More events ▪ Awareness about pedestrians
RED GROUP	<p><u>Strengths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some jobs ▪ Boys and girls club ▪ Corner store ▪ Parades ▪ Basketball ▪ Solid stations ▪ Lot of police circulating 	<p><u>Weaknesses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Businesses are more towards adults ▪ More clothing stores ▪ Dirty ▪ Boring ▪ Need safety ▪ Arcades ▪ No music store ▪ No book store ▪ No function halls ▪ Nothing for teens ▪ Clubs (dance, sing, teen programs) ▪ Healthier food options 	<p><u>Weaknesses (continued)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shuttle to school ▪ Newspapers ▪ Smells bad ▪ Safety ▪ More parking places ▪ Needs light at park ▪ More street dividers ▪ Needs street lights ▪ Not enough bus service ▪ Needs variety of stores ▪ Bus stop not visible ▪ Middle school has a bad appearance 	<p><u>Weaknesses (continued)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not many jobs for teens ▪ Places don't want 14 and 15 year-old to work for them ▪ Shawmut station needs to be fixed ▪ Not enough U-turns ▪ Need youth activities